

March 21, 2011

Dear EGLA Families,

Attached you will find information about various summer offerings that are being held across the city this year. There are too many to include every one, so this is just a guide to provide resources and ideas.

For each camp, basic information such as age range, cost, dates, and deadlines is listed. If you need applications or help applying, help finding another program to connect your child to, or have any questions about the process, please feel free to contact either of us by phone (617-635-8665). Your classroom teachers may also be a great resource for recommendations about the best fit for your child.

Please register as early as possible to summer programs as they fill up very quickly and many require applications or pre-payment! Some deadlines are as early as March!

Best wishes for an educational and recreational Summer 2011,

Sincerely,

Miss DeRosa (Student Support Coordinator- City Connects)

&

Miss Williams (Family and Community Outreach Coordinator)

The summer camps in this packet are divided into categories. Some camps may be listed twice if they fall into more than one category.

- **Educational** – math, literacy, science, technology
- **Educational** – nature & discovery
- **Arts Based** (music, drama, dance, visual, creative writing)
- **Outdoors & Sports**
- **Typical Summer Day/Overnight Camps** (these are well-rounded camps that usually include activities in arts, sports, nature, and other fun enrichment)
- **Therapeutic** (these camps are specifically designed for children with physical, mental or emotional challenges)

In addition to the camps listed in this packet, Community Centers, YMCAs, and Boys & Girls' Clubs in your neighborhood are an excellent resource for summer childcare and programs for your son or daughter.

There are over 50 neighborhood community centers run by the Boston Center for Youth and Families. Each offers summer programs that often incorporate Arts, Education, and Sports, and usually cost between \$50 - \$125 per week. Many provide meals and accept vouchers or offer financial assistance. Below is a list of some neighborhood community centers and their contact information.

At the end of this packet you will find additional websites that can help you find summer resources that may better fit your needs.

EDUCATIONAL – MATH, LITERACY, SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY

BELL (Building Educated Leaders for Life)

Website: www.experiencebell.org/programs/summer-learning

Who's it for: Boys and Girls ages K-8

Schedule: Beginning of July through first week in August, 8:30 – 3 PM

Location: Sites around Boston in Dorchester, Mattapan, Roxbury, and Roslindale

Cost: Based on income; no family will be turned away.

Content: BELL is a fantastic summer program in which camper scholars continue their education over the summer by developing literacy and math skills in the morning, and enjoying enrichment activities in the arts, music, science and sports in the afternoon. Campers also enjoy field trips and community service projects.

How to Register: Best is to request an application directly from their website at www.experiencebell.org. Applications will also be available at Eliot School. You must apply even if you participated in the program last summer.

Deadline: March, 2011. Spaces fill up fast!

The Learning Project – August Scholars

Website: www.thelearningproject.org

Who's it for: Boys and Girls entering 4th, 5th or 6th grades.

Schedule: July 19 – August 6, 7:45 – 3 PM, Optional 3:00 – 5:00 childcare at Hill House

Location: 107 Marlborough St., Boston

Cost: \$0 - \$100, based on income

Content: Literacy & Math in the morning (3 ½ hours)

Sailing and Kayaking at Community Boating in the afternoon (or alternative field trips for campers not interested in water activities)

How to Register: Download application from website, Email Camp Director Jen Lesky at augustscholars@learningproject.org, or applications available at Eliot School

Deadline: May 15

The Learning Project – Summer in the City

Website: www.thelearningproject.org

Who's it for: Boys and Girls currently in K1 – 2nd Grade

Schedule: 8:30 AM – 3:30 PM, July 6 – July 16

Location: 107 Marlborough St., Boston

Cost: \$630 – Scholarships are available

Content: Daily field trips around Boston, as well as arts & crafts, sports, reading, movement and cooking activities.

How to Register: Download an application from the website Deadline: April 1

MIT Science of Baseball

Website: http://engineering.mit.edu/education/special_programs/baseball.php

Who's it for: Boys entering 8th or 9th grade

Content: Academics and athletics combine in this program in which students re-engage with math and science by learning the math and physics behind baseball as well as enjoying developing their baseball skills having practices and games.

Schedule: July 5 – July 30, Monday – Friday 9 AM – 4PM.

Location: MIT University, Cambridge

Cost: Free

How to Register: Online

Deadline: April 8, 2011

STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) at MIT

Website: www.web.mit.edu/stem

Who's it for: Boys and Girls entering 6th – 9th grade. Priority given to entering 6th graders.

Content: Motivated middle school students join up with college students to learn in depth about math, science, technology, and how things work in a fun, social environment. Campers often continue with school-year mentoring after camp.

Schedule: 4 weeks beginning early July. Monday – Friday 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

Location: M.I.T. University, 77 Massachusetts Ave, Cambridge. Bus provided from Boston.

Cost: Free. Breakfast and Lunch included.

How to Register: Apply online. Note, applications also require copies of past 2 years' report cards and letter of recommendation from science and math teachers.

Deadline: mid-March

Tenacity

Website: www.tenacity.org, Email: summer@tenacity.org, Phone: 617-567-0900 x27

Who's it for: Boys and girls ages 6 - 16

Schedule: Weekly sessions 9 -12 AM (for 6 – 10 year olds), 1-4 PM (11 – 16 year olds)

Location: Multiple sites in all Boston neighborhoods

Cost: Donation as possible based on family need, \$0 - \$60/week

Content: Tennis camp combined with 30 minutes of literacy instruction/reading

How to Register: Call or email Tenacity

Deadline: April 15

You Go Girl

Website: web.mit.edu/Edgerton/outreach/ygg.html

Who's it for: 8th Grade Girls

Content: This 4 day program to empower girls in the sciences offers hands on experiments and activities to introduce girls to science and engineering before they head off to high school.

Schedule: August 1 – 4, 8:30 AM – 2:30 PM

Location: MIT University, Edgerton Center. 77 Massachusetts Ave, Cambridge. Transportation is not provided.

Cost: Suggested Donation of \$40.

How to Register: Apply online starting March 1.

Deadline: Open until filled. (24 spaces)

Boston University Reading Program

Website: www.bu.edu/mysummer/reading, Phone: 800-964-8888

Who's it for: Boys and girls in grades K-8

Schedule: 5 weeks, 1 day per week for 2-3 hours

Location: 725 Commonwealth Ave., Boston

Cost: \$299, scholarships are available

Content: Intensive Literacy Tutoring in Phonics, Word Attack, and Comprehension, designed to build skills as well as love of reading and reading confidence. Specialized by grade level.

How to register: By phone at 800-964-8888

Deadline: First come first serve until the first day of class

EDUCATIONAL – NATURE & DISCOVERY

Harbor Discoveries Camp at the New England Aquarium

Website: www.neaq.org/education_and_activities/programs_and_classes/summer_programs

Who's it for: Boys and Girls entering grades 4th – 9th.

Schedule: Each session is 1 week long. Offered July 5 – August 26. Meals provided. Mon. – Wed. 9 AM – 5PM, Thursday 9 AM overnight until Friday 1 PM

Location: New England Aquarium

Cost: \$650 for 1 week. Some scholarships are available. Call 617-973-0250 for the scholarship office.

Content: Science and nature discovery in a fun camp setting, at the Aquarium and on Field Trips around Boston

How to Register: Call 617-973-5206 or online on the camp's website.

Deadline: May 7th. First payment due March 4th.

Zoo Camp

Website: www.zoonewengland.org, www.campfireusa-emass.org

Who's it for: Boys and girls ages 5 -11 (Ages 12-13 Jr. ZooKeeper program available)

Schedule: 9 AM – 3 PM (extended day option available at extra cost)
2 week sessions July 5 -15, July 18 – 29, August 1 - 12

Location: Franklin Park Zoo, Dorchester

Cost: \$400 - \$500 for 2 weeks, financial assistance is available

Content: Fun and educational science and nature-based activities, work with animals, learn from zoo staff, participate in arts and games.

How to Register: Online at www.campfireusa-emass.org

Deadline: Open until filled. Already enrolling.

Junior Police Academy

Website: www.bostonpal.org/sp_jr.htm

Who's it for: Boys and Girls ages 5 – 16

Content: Learn about police work, including K9s and horse units, harbor patrol, and other divisions through fun activities and field trips.

Schedule: 1 week, dates to be announced in early April.

Location: Various Cost: Free

How to Register: Call 617-343-4627 for Boston Police program coordinator.

Deadline: April 15

ARTS-BASED

Mass Art's Artward Bound

Website: For information contact – Jennifer Kilson Page, jkilsonpage@gmail.com, or Liz Rudnick, liz.rudnick@massart.edu or call 617-879-7174

Who's it for: Boys and Girls in 7th and 8th grade.

Content: A college access program in the visual arts, designed to combine artistic development with academic preparation to help ensure success in college and in a visual arts career. 6 week summer program continues as an after school program through senior year of high school.

Schedule: 6 weeks during summer (exact dates/times to be determined)

Location: Massachusetts College of Art

How to Register: Contact Jennifer Kilson for more information

Deadline: March 31

Boston Children's Theater Summer Studios

Website: www.bostonchildrenstheatre.org

Who's it for: Boys and Girls ages 4-12

Content: Drama and theater camp with arts & crafts and music. For younger ages, introduction to drama and creative play. For older ages, campers put on a musical theater production.

Schedule:

4-6 year olds, weekly: 6/27 – 7/1, 7/11 – 7/18, 7/25 – 7/29. Mon. – Fri. 9 AM – 12 PM.

6-9 year olds, weekly: 7/5 – 7/8, 7/18 – 7/22, 8/1 – 8/5. Mon – Fri. 9 AM – 4 PM

8-12 year olds, 2-weeks-long sessions: 6/27 – 7/8 or 7/18 – 7/29. Mon – Fri. 9 AM – 4 PM or 1 week

Broadway musical themed session focused on singing, 7/11 – 7/18.

Location: 316 Huntington Avenue, Boston.

Cost: 4-6 year olds \$195 per week. 6-9 year olds \$290 per week. 8 – 12 year olds \$495 for 2 weeks or \$350 for the Broadway session.

How to Register: Online.

Deadline: Open until filled.

Community Music Center Summer Arts Camp

Website: www.cmcb.org

Who's it for: Boys and Girls ages 2-11 as campers, ages 11-14 as Counselors-in-Training

Content: For 4 weeks beginning on June 28, students will be given instruction in all of the performing and visual arts (music, dance, drama, and art) as well as creating performances and attending cultural field trips.

Schedule: Monday – Friday 9 AM – Noon. (Extended day available 12 – 2 PM)

Location: 34 Warren St., Boston's South End

Cost: \$800 for regular program, \$400 additional for extended day. Snack provided. Some discounts are available by speaking to program director Lucy Sollogub at 617-482-7494 x26.

How to Register: Applications will be available online

Deadline: March 2011 until filled

Mass College of Art: Creative Vacations

Website: www.massart.edu/continuing_education/youth_programs/creative?vacation.html

Who's it for: Boys and girls grades 4th – 9th.

Content: Fun, rigorous program for campers to develop creative skills and interests in subjects such as painting, fashion, computer animation and more. There are daily art classes, visits to museums and studios, and meetings with artists. For all abilities.

Schedule: July 5 – 15. Full or half day 8:30 – noon and 1:00 – 4:30.

Location:

Cost: \$575 for half day program, \$1,150 for full day. Scholarships are available to help with cost.

How to Register: Online

Deadline: Open Until Filled

Mass Motion Dance Camp

Website: www.massmotiondance.com

Who's it for: Boys and girls ages 6 - 16

Content: Designed to explore many different aspects of dance including ballet, modern, tap, jazz, and hip hop.

Schedule: July 11 – 15 and August 8 – 12. Times not yet listed.

Location: Studio is in Allston. May be moving to more central location downtown.

Cost: \$250 for 1 week, \$450 for 2 weeks.

How to Register: Forms available online

Deadline: April 15

OUTDOORS & SPORTS

Camp Harbor View

Website: www.chvf.org

Who's it for: Boys and girls ages 11 – 14

Schedule: 4 weeks, June 27 – July 21, or 4 weeks July 26 – August 19

Location: Long Island, in the Boston Harbor

Cost: \$5 for 4 weeks. Meals and transportation is provided.

Content: Well-rounded summer-camp activities in the arts, sports, drama and music, leadership and team building. Activities include water sports, talent shows, murals, most team sports, rope climbing course, and more.

How to Register: Fill out a pre-application (on the website) and mail it in. The camp will then send you a full application.

Deadline: April 1

Boston Neighborhood Basketball League (BNLB)

Hyde Park Community Center, Ross Field

Who is it for: all youth ages 6-18 teams across the city compete 2x weekly by age group.

Schedule: June 27- August 19, 5:30-9:00 PM Monday -Friday

How to Register: Pre- Registration required. Registration begins in May for more information please call (617) 635-4920 x 2116

Tenacity

Website: www.tenacity.org, Email: summer@tenacity.org, Phone: 617-567-0900 x27

Who's it for: Boys and girls ages 6 - 16

Schedule: Weekly sessions 9 -12 AM (for 6 – 10 year olds), 1-4 PM (11 – 16 year olds)

Location: Multiple sites in all Boston neighborhoods

Cost: Donation as possible based on family need, \$0 - \$60/week

Content: Tennis camp combined with 30 minutes of literacy instruction/reading

How to Register: Call or email Tenacity

Deadline: April 15

Little Sportsmen Tennis Camp

Website: www.sportsmentennisclub.org

Who's it for: Boys and Girls ages 5 - 17

Content: Intensive tennis skills camp. Divided into groups by age and skill level.

Schedule: Weekly sessions. July 5 – August 26, 9 AM – 5 PM.

Location: 950 Blue Hill Ave, Dorchester

Cost: \$175/week

How to Register: Applications available on website

Deadline: Open until filled.

Courageous Sailing

Website: www.courageoussailing.org/youth-programs/overview. Contact Kate Henderson , Youth Program Director, with questions at 617-268-7243.

Who's it for: Boys and girls ages 8 - 18

Content: In classes ranging from beginner to advanced, kids learn the basics of sailing and build up their sailing skills with certified instructors in the Boston Harbor. Along with sailing, kids explore the Harbor Islands and are given other outdoor experiences throughout their day.

Schedule: Week-long sessions. Dates not yet listed.

Location: Pier 4, Charlestown Navy Yard or UMass Boston, Dorchester

Cost: Free

How to Register: Call 617-268-7243 Note: Student must be able to swim 75 feet and tread water for 1 minute.

Deadline: Applications available after March 1st. Program fills up fast.

Boston Center for Youth and Families

Runs camps at various locations throughout the city. Check out www.cityofboston.gov/bcyf

TYPICAL SUMMER DAY/OVERNIGHT CAMP

Earthen Vessels Summer Camp

EV Camp is a 9 – acres of farmland in Vermont's Green Mountain National Forest. The scenic landscape is a safe environment for city kids. Activities include: mountain hiking, volleyball, swimming, ping-pong, archery, painting and drawing, creative writing, dance, daily reading time, life-skills workshops, and so much more! This program is for children who ages range from 11 – 18. Children between the ages of 11 and 12 attend camp for a week, June 26 to July 3. The program cost \$25.00. If you are interested, call Lauren Ravello, Program director, at (617) 792-4494.

Camp Harbor View (Day Camp)

Website: www.chvf.org

Who's it for: Boys and girls ages 11 – 14

Schedule: 4 weeks, June 27 – July 21, or 4 weeks July 26 – August 19

Location: Long Island, in the Boston Harbor

Cost: \$5 for 4 weeks. Meals and transportation is provided.

Content: Well-rounded summer-camp activities in the arts, sports, drama and music, leadership and team building. Activities include water sports, talent shows, murals, most team sports, rope climbing course, and more.

How to Register: Fill out a pre-application (on the website) and mail it in. The camp will then send you a full application.

Deadline: April 1

Hyde Park Summer Camp

Who is it for: Ages 8-12

Schedule: July 11- August 19

Cost: \$110/week

How to Register: Registration begins mid-April. Contact Eileen Curly at the Center (Capacity 50 students)

Summer Day Getaway Camp at Hale Reservation

Website: http://www.birdstreet.org/summer_day_getaway.html

Who's it for: Boys and Girls ages 8 - 13

Content: The Bird Street Community Center in Dorchester runs this summer camp. Each day campers are bussed to Hale Reservation, a nature park just south of Boston. They get to experience swimming, boating, archery, ropes courses, arts & crafts, and other games throughout the day, and are bussed back at the end of the day. This is a great way for children to get out of the city and into the outdoors in a safe, supervised environment with fun activities.

Schedule: 2 weeks sessions, Monday – Friday, 7:30 AM – 5:45 PM throughout the summer.

Location: Bus picks up at Bird Street Community Ctr., 500 Columbia Rd, Dorchester

Cost: \$300 for 2 weeks. Breakfast, lunch & snack provided. The camp accepts Child Care Choices vouchers to help with cost.

How to Register: Applications available online

Deadline: Open until filled. Apply soon as spaces fill up fast!

Please note – the Cooper Community Center in Roxbury also runs a day camp at Hale Reservation for ages 5-12. There are two 4 –week sessions (June 28 – July 23 and July 26 – August 20). Students can sign up for 4 weeks or the whole summer. The camp runs from 7:30 AM – 5:30 PM. Cost is \$125 per week (\$500 for 4 weeks). Vouchers are accepted to help with cost. Families can apply by calling Rae McWilliams, Camp Director, at 617-445-1813.

Hill House Summer Day Camp

Website: www.hillhouseboston.org

Contact: Jillian Bracken, jbracken@hillhouseboston.org or 617-227-5838 ext. 10

Who's it for: Boys and girls ages 5 – 10 (sports-centered option available for ages 7-10) *Kiddie camp half day program for ages 3-5, 9 AM – 1 PM

Schedule: 9 AM – 4 PM, weekly sessions June 20 – September 1, extended day available

Location: 127 Mt. Vernon St., Boston

Cost: \$360 per week, financial aid is available. Bring own lunch and snack.

Content: Weekly themes, field trips, sports, arts and games

How to Register: Register online or call Hill House.

Deadline: Open until filled

Zoo Camp (Day Camp)

Website: www.zoonewengland.org, www.campfireusa-emass.org

Who's it for: Boys and girls ages 5 -11 (Ages 12-13 Jr. ZooKeeper program available)

Schedule: 9 AM – 3 PM (extended day option available at extra cost)

2 week sessions July 5 -15, July 18 – 29, August 1 - 12

Location: Franklin Park Zoo, Dorchester

Cost: \$400 - \$500 for 2 weeks, financial assistance is available

Content: Fun and educational science and nature-based activities, work with animals, learn from zoo staff, participate in arts and games.

How to Register: Online at www.campfireusa-emass.org or forms available at Eliot

Deadline: Open until filled. Already enrolling.

Girl Scout/Boy Scout Overnight Camps

Website: www.girlscoutseasternmass.org (Girls) <http://sne.tripod.com/ma-camp.htm> (Boys)

Who's it for: Boys and Girls beginning 2nd grade and up.

Content: Across Massachusetts, overnight camps offer scouts the opportunity to explore their interests and experience nature. Camps offer activities such as arts, sailing, swimming, hiking, biking and more.

Schedule: Check for individual camp schedules

Location: Varies by camp

Cost: Varies by camp

How to Register: Online at www.girlscoutseasternmass.org or individual Boy Scout camp.

Deadline: Varies. Usually by April 1.

THERAPEUTIC

Camp Shriver

Website: www.csde.umb.edu/shriver.html

Who's it for: Boys and girls ages 8 -12.

Content: An inclusive, sports & recreation based day camp for students with or without disabilities. Students participate in fun enrichment activities and build social and leadership skills along with sports and motor skills development.

Schedule: July 5 – July 29, 8:30 AM – 2:15 PM

Location: U-Mass Boston. Bus **transportation provided** from local elementary schools.

Cost: \$25

How to Register: Applications will be available beginning in March on website or Ms. DeRosa has a few copies. Camp Director Karen Friedman can be reached at 617-287-7276.

Deadline: Open until filled

CrossRoads for Kids: Camp Wing & Camp Mitton

Website: www.crossroads4kids.org

Camp Mitton: (overnight camp on Cape Cod)

In a family-style environment, Camp Mitton provides traditional summer camp experiences for youth who have or are experiencing crisis situations. Youth who attend are experiencing a low self-image, feelings of hopelessness and an inability to understand and communicate their personal feelings in healthy ways and are struggling with behavioral manifestations of these problems

Camp Wing: (overnight camp on South Shore)

The youth in this program need guidance in learning how to handle the stresses of their home environments. Camp Wing fosters their development of coping skills, peer relation abilities, conflict resolution and other life skills.

Schedule: 2 or 3 week sessions, 7/1 – 7/14, 7/16 -8/4, 8/7 – 8/26

Location: Camp Mitton is in Brewster, MA and Camp Wing is in Duxbury, MA

Cost: Camp Wing - \$1200 - \$1700. Camp Mitton - \$1300 - \$1900. Financial Assistance is available and is part of the application

How to Register: Applications available online. Send along with financial information.

Deadline: April 1.

Youth Care Therapeutic Summer Camp

Website: www2.massgeneral.org/youthcare/summer_camp.html

Who's it for: Boys and girls entering 1st grade through age 15 with disabilities in forming peer connections, including diagnoses of Asperger's, High Functioning Autism, PDD-NOS, and Non-Verbal Learning Disabilities

Content: This 7 week day camp consists of recreational activities and therapeutic interventions designed for campers to have fun while learning social communication skills, group skills, and executive function skills. The camp is a program of Mass General Hospital.

Schedule: June 29 – August 17, Monday – Friday 9 AM – 2:30.

Location: Charlestown, MA

Cost: \$4,900. Financial aid is available.

How to Register: Application available online

Deadline: June 15th, but best to apply as soon as possible to be sure of getting a space.

If you have not found a camp or summer opportunity suitable to your needs you may check the following websites for more summer resources in your area:

www.bostonnavigator.org

www.cityofboston.gov/bcyf

www.bostonyouthzone.com

Catholic Charities: www.ccab.org/sunset.html

Summer Youth Work: www.environetwork.org/aboutben/default.aspx

Boston afterschool and beyond: www.bostonbeyond.org

www.masscamps.com

www.mysummercamps.com

www.cityofboston.gov/summer

www.bostonpublicschools.org/summer